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TITLE OF INVENTION: NEW PHARMACEUTICAL COMPOSITION AND THE PROCESS FOR ITS PREPARATION

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EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Mr. Jason W. Johnston on June 5, 2008.

The application has been amended as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Claims 6, 7, 13, 16, 28-32, 34, 35, 37 and 38 have been canceled without prejudice.

Claim 33, line 5, delete "lactose and between" and insert - - - - lactose, between- - - -.

Claim 33, line 8, delete "salts" and insert - - - salts, magnesium stearate and talc, wherein magnesium stearate constitutes between 2.78 and 500 parts by weight of the tablet, expressed in parts by weight per 100 parts of 5-[[4-[3-methyl-4-oxo-3,4-dihydro-2-quinazolinyl]methoxy]phenyl-methyl] thiazolidine-2,4-dione

or one of its pharmaceutically acceptable salts, and wherein the excipients have a water content below about 1%- - - - - -.

Remarks

The above amendment places this case in condition for allowance.

Reasons for Allowance

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: The claims are allowable over the cited prior art because the prior art does not teach, disclose nor make obvious the claimed tablet formed by direct compression of a composition that consists essentially of 5-[[4-[3-methyl-4-oxo-3,4-dihydro-2-quinazolinyl]methoxy]phenyl-methyl]thiazolidine-2,4-dione with specific excipients set forth in claim 33 as amended.

Applicants remarks filed March 17, 2008 particularly, pages 7-10, showing analytical data with the specific combination showing superior stability of the active ingredient is persuasive.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Jennifer Kim whose telephone number is 571-272-0628. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Friday 6:30 am to 3 pm.

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